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In re Application of

Marcel L. Boucher, et al.

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Measurements, and Methods
of Using Same

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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed February 07, 2005 for which the shortened statutory period for response is set to expire May 7, 2005. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: